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**WALKER PRAISES ZOO ON GOVERNOR'S AWARD**

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker will attend a public presentation to the Milwaukee County Zoo of the 2007 Governor's Award for Archival Innovation tomorrow afternoon. The Zoo is receiving the award for developing its own archives as a resource for researchers inside and outside the zoo community.

"Milwaukee County Zoo Director Chuck Wikenhauser and the staff work diligently to keep our Zoo at the forefront in exhibits, research and conservation," said Walker. "It is wonderful to see their dedication recognized."

The State Historical Society's Wisconsin Historic Records Advisory Board assigned professional archivists through their Assessment-Mentoring Program to create more formal archives for the Zoo history. Bill Jackson with Harley-Davidson and Ken Wirth with Johnson Controls along with Christine Birt from UW-Milwaukee archives program and Kaye Lynne Carpenter, a Zoological Society Zoo Pride volunteer, formed a history committee for the project over the past five years.

Visit [www.milwaukeezoo.org](http://www.milwaukeezoo.org) to see a historical timeline depicting the Zoo history dating back to 1892, when the Zoo was a miniature mammal and bird display at Washington Park.

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 24, 2007</b>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>1:30 pm</b>
<b>LOCATION:</b>	<b>Milwaukee County Zoo Peck Welcome Center Theater</b>

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